Amendment to the Specification:

Please add the following new paragraph after the title on page 1:

-- Statement of Related Applications

This application is a divisional application of US Patent Application Serial No. 10/264,610 entitled "Control Device and Method for Emergency Opening of an Aircraft Evacuation Door" filed October 3, 2002, which claims priority of French Patent Application Serial No. 01 12838 which was filed on October 5, 2001, and was not published in English.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 25 with the following amended paragraph:

-- According to an alternative embodiment of the device, the means of power can also comprise a single source of pressurized gas. In this case, the means for modification of the power delivered to the actuator comprise a ~~gas flux dosage~~ regulating valve for regulating a gas flow between the source of pressurized gas and the actuator.—

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 15, line 15 with the following amended paragraph:

-- During the initial phase of opening of the door, a ~~valve~~ plug 81 of a ~~slide~~ regulating valve ~~casing~~ 82, comparable to the distributor in figure 2, has a position in which it partially blocks a passage outlet O for the gas from the reservoir 15 towards the chambers 54, 56, 58 and towards the cylinder 8. In this position, and when the membrane 52 is perforated, the gas under relatively weak pressure is led towards the cylinder for

slow opening of the door. In fact, the gas pressure falls via throttling brought about by the partial blocking of the gas's passage. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 15, line 26 with the following amended paragraph:

-- Then, under the action of the time sequencer 18, the ~~valve~~ plug 81 is pushed into a second position in which the passage of gas is entirely liberated an in which gas under strong pressure is applied to the cylinder 8. This corresponds to a second phase of rapid opening of the door. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 16, line 1 with the following amended paragraph:

-- The translation between the initial phase when the passage of gas is partially blocked to the phase where it is entirely free can be abrupt or gradual. The gradual transition can be obtained by the displacement of the sequencer 18's piston rod 72 and/or by the shape of a gas passage allowed in ~~slide~~ regulating valve ~~casing~~ 82 and/or by the shape of the ~~valve~~ plug 81. For an abrupt transition from the position of the throttled gas passage in the ~~slide~~ regulating valve ~~casing~~ 82 to the clear passage position, the piston rod displacement is simply used to regulate the time taken between the moment of initial release and the moment where the clear gas passage position is attained. --